

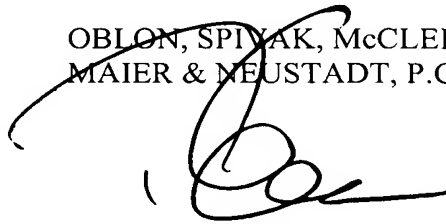
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants greatly appreciate the indication that Claims 1-3, 5-12 and 14-20 are allowed and that Claims 21 and 22 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

As noted in the above amendment, the limitations of allowable Claims 21 and 22 have been incorporated into Claims 4 and 13, respectively, thereby mooting the rejection of Claims 4 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. 103 and placing this case in condition for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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